MY WIDOW.

BY SHIRLEY BROWNE.

Jones advised me not to marry her-he was to young and pretty. Faraum advisid me to remain an old bachelor-told me a man past forty simply made a fool or himself by matrimony.

Tewkshany-1 man who is notorious for never minding his own business-told me she had made a love affair with Harry Birmingham, before he went South.

Allen shook his head, and said Clara Myers might be very pretty, but he liked somebody maturer and more settled. (N. B. -He married his housekeeper the next week, and she is mature enough for Mathussleh himse f!)

Everyboly thought I was trying a dangerons; xp thaent, but I didn't pretend to suit everyboly—so I simply suited myself I went quietly to church with Clara Myers, and many memory to church with Clara Myers, and married her ope glorious January morn ing, when the caves of old St. Paul's were fringed with glittering icicles, and the brisk wind was freighted with particles of flying snow, like a battalion of diamonds on the double-quick.

She was nineteen, and I was nine-andthirty. She was as beautiful as a rose-bud, with a shy, pretty way, like a timid child, and I am a rough old codger, sound enough at heart, but like a winter apple, unpromis-

ing on the exterior.
In short, we were as unlike as May and In short, we were as unlike as may and November, and the good-natured world shook its head, and said, "no good could come of such an unequal match." But she said she loved me, and I believed her. Nosaid she loved me, and I believed her loved me

not believe her, you see.

And the next day I made a will, and bequeathed all my property, unconditionally

"Are you sure you are doing a wise thing, Mr. Folliott" said Mardyn, the lawyer, poshing his blue spectacles up on his tore head, until he looked like a bald old gnome, with a double pair of eyes. "You see, she is very much younger than yourself, and—" brindle dog came trott is very much younger than yourself, and—"
"Please to be so kind as to mind your own business, 'said I brusquely. "Dan't be offended, Mardyn, but really, people suppose I am not able to attend to my own affairs."

As a kind of advance guard, a great, ugly brindle dog came trotting along in advance, and attracted by our noise he threw himself in an attitude of defiance, determined to dispute our approach. With his savage growl, red eyes and erect bristles, he findled to attend to my own affairs."

"Just as you please," said Mardyn, in a rage. "I am a mere tool in your nands!"
"That's it, exactly," said I. So I signed
the will and went home to Clara.
"On, Paul, you must not din!" said Clara.

with a seared look, whea I told her what I had done. "Nobody ever loved me as truly and generously as you have done, and I don't know what I should do it you were taken away."

"There was a young Birmingham, if all reports were true—" I mischeviously began, but the curl on Clara's lip stopped me. "A mere bucterfly," she said haughtily, oxen also saw the fearful monster coming with fright, he took to the brush. The

seconderl of an agent, who had absconded thing in the water, about waist deep. One with more money than we could well afox, getting loose, went up the opposite ford to lose. Morison was old and feeble-Hewitt's wife lay very ill, so I was the one cowered down, pitcousty bellowing as we to go. I kissed Clara good-bye as cheerfully as I could, fully expecting to be back stood the man in water to his waist, his in three months or se. But—you know the differench adage—"L'homme propose, et Deu dispose!"

L'homme propose, et ing in the water, while the other half was scattered in the woods. He looked scared and pitiful, and said. "Oh, Lordy, strang-

menatains of India-1 fell fill of one of those burning climate fevers in the bungalow of ruined." an old native priest, and the months flew by, until it was more than a year before i there stood the judge holding on to a sapfound myself on the deck of the "Blu eyed Mary," steaming into New York cheeks.

And, all this time, Clara had never heard fellow. The judge headed the list with an amount nearly covering the damages, and a word from me!

I had written to her to prepare her for what seemed almost like my rising from the | thankfulness that he had sold his corn so dead, but I had afterward found my letters well. At the barbecue, the judge bet all in the pocket of the neglectful native serv- his money on a little horse race, and lost, ant who had undertaken to deliver the mails to the Calcutta office.

"But it don't matter so much now!" I thought; she will be the more delighted, insisted upon standing on his head.

Poor little gir!"

And then a cold chill seemed to creep through all my veins, like November's wind suddenly breathing across a bed of

Clara had heard nothing of me for nearly fifteen months—what might not have hap-pened in that time? All that Tewksbury, and Jones, and Allen, and all the other prophetic ravens of my acquaintance had plied with a sigh, that he did, and even said, recurred to my mind, like the burden of an uneasy dream! I had been counting the days, the hours, the very minutes until ould touch port, but now that my feet that his wife, who thought him dead, had rang once more upon the pavement of my native city, I actually dared not go home. I turned into a down-town restaurant, where I had been wont to go, in the days of

my becaelorhood, and slunk into a dark corner—the twilight was just falling, and I was sheitered by the partition.

Hush-! that was Tewkshury's voice

harshand jarring, as of old. "Just what might have been expected," said Tewksbury. "Pretty and young witows don't go begging in this market!" Fillion night have known it," growled ly came to the conclusion to let the lady Farndan. "Poor Follion! there was choose between them, and she elects in fa-

some good points about him, too! Sad thing, that! very sad thing?"

"Yes, but a fellow would naturally prefer dying in his bed to being carried off by n E.s. Indian fever and buried in the jungle;" some constitution of the landing some hours later; waste a most touching paragraph.

**Supplied The must be considered as a most touching paragraph.

**Supplied The landing some hours later; waste must be landing some hours later; I shuddered. Had I then come home to in) own funeral as it were?

"And she's got to marry young Birming-ham, sfier all!" added Farnum. hate, siter all !" added Farnum.

The paper dropped from my hand.

I could have told Folkott so, when I it—were affected to tears by the touching scene. With great drops rolling down his made!" add Tewksburg. 'So gold has fallow again. Just my look I had out to-

stayed to hear no more, but strggered

out in the darkness with one loca whirling three h my dizzy brain-my Carry was mine no longer! It was quite true, what Tewksbury had

I might have a sticipated some such turned his face again toward the boat, which end. She was too young, too lovely for such a rough old fellow as I was. My widow-what a curious sensation the words gave me as I mentally pronounced them. Under my own windows, with the rubyred light shining through wine-colored damask curtains, I stood there feeling as Rip Van Windle uright have felt in the play— The number of men is about equal to the like a dead man walking the earth once number of women. The average of human more. Voices and lights were within. I life is about 33 years. One quarter die be-

of ened the door softly, and crept into the hall.

The dra ving-room door was ajar. Clara, herselt, a cod before the fire, in deep black robes, with a full of black crape on her auburn goin tresset. The await sign and symbol of her witowhood. Directly convoided the convoided with the convoided to the convoided bol of her willowhood. Directly opposite, \$3,383,383 die every year; 7.780 every hour, and 60 every minute—or one for every secligit.

"Clara, Clara!" he cried, "You surely

As a kind of advance guard, a great, ugly than a few fishermen's huts near the water's

A Judge on all Fours.

its hot, dusty stretch, a solitary ox-cart,

with its owner perched upon what proved

deed presented a formidable appearance. Judge M. could not let such an opportunity

for a practical joke pass. Said he: "I'll bet the drinks for the day that I can run that dog off the road." "Done," said we. Stop-

ping the back he got out, and threw the

skirts of his "swallow-tailed" coat over his

shoulders, stuck his old slouch hat on the

back of his head, and going down on "all fours," he s-ampered toward the dog with

the most trightful yells, reminding one of

bank and soon disappeared, while the other

wagon overturned, and half his corn soak-

er, don't never do that ar any more. I'm

ling and laughing till the tears ran down his

It was a splendid success, that joke, and

We took up a subscription for the poor

we added to it until we left the man in

and from that, and the effects of his drinks,

at our expense, we had to carry him to our

hack on a barn door. On his way home he

A Magnanimous Blacksmith.

smith's shop to have his horse shod. The smith noticed the empty sleeve, and asked

him if he lost his arm in the war, He re-

more, going on to relate how he left home to enlist in the Southern army, and at the

close of the war, in going back, he found

moved away, and he had since been unable to obtain a trace of her. "What is your neme?" asked the blacksmith. When the answer was "J. M. Waldrup" he suddenly

released the hoof over which he had been bending, and, without looking at the ex-soldier, cried: "Follow me into the house,"

and hurriedly led the way. Result : the

discovery of Mrs. Waldrup with three new children by her side. She had supp sed Waldrup dead and accordingly mar-ried the blacksmith. The two men wise-

vor of Waldrup. Then she says she cannot do without the children, and the blacksmith

" stopped at the landing some hours later; Waldrup went on board with his still weep-

ing and thickly veiled wife, and the black-smith followed the children. The boat's

beil rang for the starting, and the dread of separation was at hand. The crew, the

tade the mother an eternal good-bye.

two men gazed wistfully at each other'

walked quietly to the shore. He never

soon passed out of sight around a merciful

of his wife and children should welcome

The number of languages spoken is 3,004.

him no more.

the number of births.

A one-armed horseman recently travel-

Which was the ruined man?

came up to the scene of the disaster.

Strength of Gibraltar. are not in earnest. You will reconsider!"
"My answer is final," she responded. Until you set foot on Gibraltar you can form no idea of its impregnability. Very properly its real strength can not be seen "The time might once have been when I fincied I had a childish liking for you, Harry from a ship in the bay. Only when you land do you find the sea-wall bri-ties with Birmingham, but that time has long since assed away. I gave my heart to the best heavy guns and groans beneath piles of and noblest man that ever breathed.—Paul Folliott—and in his grave it is forever burball; only as you traverse its flanks do you see how formidable breech-loaders peep from every available chink, and powerful ied. I loved him once; I shall love him on into eternity! I never was half worthy of mortars lurk behind every convenient embankment. And not till you penetrate the And Clara's voice was choked with sobs.
"My love—my darling—my own precious body of the rock do you get any just notion of the marvelous piece of military engineer-Ing exhibited in its "galleries." These are tunnels excavated from the solid rock managed to make Clara comprehend that I was my own living self, and not a ghost arisen from the shadow of the sepulchre. I cannot tell to this day—neither can she!—but I know that young Birmingham somehow disappeared, and I was standing with parallel to its outer side, but some thirty feet therefrom, and large enough to drive a carriage through. They are in two tiers, and comprise a total length of nearly three miles. At every thirty feet or so along them spacious embrasures are out-hewn, that terminate in commanding port holes Clara clasped to my breast, the happiest man which look, to a spectator outside the rock, For Jones, Tewksbury, Farnum and Co., were all wrong, and, to use the words of the like swallows' nest holes in a sand cliff. These embrasures contain heavy guns, alorthodox fairy stories, slightly paraphrased, ways standing ready for action, with powder magazines hard by. From the port holes beautiful peeps of the bay and the Spanish continent are obtained. Out of these on the I and my widow "lived happy ever afternorth side, you look down upon a halfandy, half-grassy flat, perhaps half a mile It was during the Presidential campaign long, and as wide, or wider, connecting the rock with the mainland, and separating the bay from the Mediterranean. Two lines of which resulted in the election of Buchsnan, that the writer of the appended sketch, in company with three other politicians, role from Paducah to Boston, Ky., in a hack, They were bound for one of the old-fashat the distant end-mark the boundaries of British and Spanish land, and between these lines is the "neutral ground." The guns of the quarried embrasure, and those hidden cannon that stud the western and southern slopes of the rock, cover the neighboring Spanish land, the whole of the the happy contagion even reached the driver. Our fun was at the highest, when, turning a curve in the road was at the highest, when, driver. Our fun was at the highest, when, new points that from time to time appear turning a curve in the road, we saw, down vulnerable. The eastern side of the rock requires no protection. It is a forbidding wall, with a great sand slope in one place, but with no footbold for anything more

The Old-Fashioned Mother.

Thank God! some of us have an old-fashloved mether. Not a woman of the period. enameled and painted, with her great chignon, her curls and bustle, whose white, jew-eled hands never have felt the class of baby fingers, but a dear old-fashioned, sweet-voiced mother, with eyes in whose clear depths the love light shone, and brown hair, threaded with silver, lying smooth upon her fade | cheek. Those dear hands, worn with toil, gently guided our tottering steps in childhood, and smoothed our pillows in sickness; even reaching out to us in yearning tenderness when her sweet spirit baptized in the early spray of the river. Blessed is the memory of an old-fashioned mother. It floats to us now like the beauti-Paul, I have found a shelter in your true, loving heart, and I mean to nestic there always!?

And then she cried—this foolish softhered little wife of mine.

Jones and Tewksbury might have called this policy. Farnum would nave said it was acting. But it was very pleasant and I came from the frightened man on the cart label.

this policy. Farnum would have said it was came from the frightened man on the cart, acting. But it was very pleasant, and I as he was bounding from side to side, now feet wander back to this old homest ad, and tell more than ever like a man who has grabbing a cart-pole, then catching at a bag crossing the well-worn threshold, stand once more, in the low, quaint room, so hall ound some precious jewel, and wears it, like an amulet, on his breast.

So things went on until the firm of which I was managing partner, needed to send some one to Calcutta to see after a turbaned som childish innocence and dependence comes was always conspicuous for the performance by our mother's knee lisping 'Our Father. How many times, when the tempter turned on us, has the memory of those sacred hours, that mother's words, her faith and prayers, saved us from plunging into great drifts between her and us, but they have not hidden from our sight the glorof her pure, unselfish love.

> WHAT SLEEP WILL CURE.- The for rest has always been louder than the cry for food. Not that it is more important, but it is often harder to get. The best rest comes from sound sleep. Of two men or women, otherwise equal, the one who sleeps best will be the most moral, healthy and efficient.

> ep will do much to cure irritability of temper, peevishness, uneasiness. It will cure insanity. It will do much to cure dyspepsia, particularly that variety known as nervous dyspepsia. It will relieve the languor and prostration felt by consump-tives. It will cure hypochondria. It will cure neuralgia. It will cure a broken spirit. It will cure sorrow.

> Indeed, we might make a long list of nervous maladies that it will cure. The cure of sleeplessness, however, is not so easy, particularly in those who carry grave responsibilities. The habit of sleep-ing well is one which, if broken up for any gth of time, it is not easily regained. Often a severe illness treated by powerful drugs, so deranges the nervous system that sleep is never sweet after. Or perhaps long continued watchfulness produces the same effect; or hard study, or too much exercise of the muscular system, or tea and whisky drinking, and tobacco using. To

> up the habit, are required: 1. A good clean bed. 2. Sufficient exercise to produce weariness, and pleasant occupation.

> 3. Good pure air and not too warm

5. A clear stomach.

6. A clear conscience. 7. Avoidance of stimulants or nave ties. ATTENTION, ONE AND ALL!-A word of advice concerning the urchase of a rewing machine will undoubtedly be appreciated by all, as it is seldom offered, and none who have not taken some pains to inform themselves on this subject are fit to judge which of the many first-class machines in market are the best. We think we have good evidence to prove that the New Underfeed Wilson is to-day by far the most valuable sew-ing machine in use. At the recent great Northern Ohio fair it was decided to adopt a surer and more testing plan in awarding premiums to sewing machines, viz: not to give them to the machine, (for accommittee competent to tell, by simply looking at the machines, which is the most worthy of the premiums) but to award them to the work done on each of the respective ma-This is an actual test of the merits. and all the leading machines made an extra effort to excel in variety and quality of sewing machine work. The many thousand ces, shook hands long and earnestly, and then the blacksmith, by strong effort of iron will, released the hand of Waldrup, and who visited this hall decided, long before the committee made their report, to whom the premiums should be given, when the report was made it did not differ in the least from the unanimous conclusions of the public, for they unbesitatingly awardbend in the river, but strode on, with head ed all the premiums to the Cleveland ma-chine, the "New Underfeed Wilson." This bowed down, to the home whither the voice was a great victory, fairly won, in the face of the strongest competition, and proves be-yond a question or a doubt, that the Wilson to-day the superior sewing machine of America. The Wilson costs to manufacture fully as much as any other, but its manufac-turers are less greedy, and sell it at a price

> SEE ADVERTISEMENT IN ANOTHER COLUMN. A new opera by Verdi has just been produced at Cairo. It is in four acts, is en-titled "Aids," and was composed expressly for the theater at the request of the Viceroy of Egypt, who has himself written the

within the reach of all .- Cleveland Daily

PERSONAL.

of Congress and Speaker, has become President of the "Houston and Great Northern Rullroad," destined to connect the scaboard ber former accepted lover and given her of Texas with New York direct via Fulton. Arkansas, and Cairo, Illinois. His home is was the circumstance, it nearly led to seri-

Dean Stanley has been studying the Athanasian creed, and gives it as his opinion named, and the reputed betrothed of Cathat the English copy was not made from poul, witnessed the bestowal of the fragrant the o. iginal Latin, but from a faulty Greek trifle and the ineffable grace and warmth translation, which the compilers of the translation, which the compilers of the with which it was accepted. She immedi-Prayer-book mistook for an original work ately registered her unqualified disapprobaof Athanasius. The Leavenworth Commercial says that

Kansas has had her share of Bills. There were Wild Bill, Buffalo Bill, Apache Bill, Comanche Bill, Buckskin Bill, Bill Matthews, and now we have a Temperance Bill before the Legislature, which threatens to raise the deuce with the politicians of the State.

Gen. N. P. Banks sent a contribution to the Greely statue fund the other day, ac-companied by a letter in which he said: "It gives me very great pleasure to contribute to this patriotic object. In every respect Mr. Greeley deserves the honor paid him, the more especially that his great fame has been achieved without the adventitious aid of public office.'

Professor Joseph Henry, Secretary of the smithsonian Institute, was authorized at the late meeting of its regents to take measures for communicating to European astronomers and receiving from them by the ocean cable telegraphic accounts of discoveries of new planets. Under the present custom the place of a planet may be lost if discovered in Europe before it is known where to look for it here.

Josquin Miller's disincination to meet Mrs. Miller is explained by the announcement that he is engaged to a lady of the Scottish nobility. Mrs. Miller has been a most forbearing wife, but if such a thing should transpire as a Mr., Miller No. 2, it strikes us that flying from a prairie aftre on Kit C rson's horse would be small potatoes and few in a heap, compared to Josquin's flight from the pursuing Nemesis of Mrs. Miller No. 1.-N Y. Commercial Advertiser.

Mrs. Greeley, who has been an invalid for as was supposed, from a serious pulmonary affection, has almost entirely recovered her health by her residence on the Isle of Wight. She expects to return soon to her native land, at least for a visit, and will remain here, unless the severity of the climate should again drive her to Europe. years since none of her friends believed that she had the least prospect of recovery, and their surprise thereat is only exceeded by their enjoyment.

Mrs. Eliza Bancroft Davis, widow of John Pavis and sister of George Bancroft, died in Worcester, at an advanced age. She was the daughter of th. Rev. Avon Bancrott, who settled in Worcester in 1785, and re-mained in the same pastoral connection till his death, in 1838. Her marriage with Mr. Davis took place in 1822. At Washington Mrs. Davis found congenial place with Mrs. Hamilton and Mrs. Madison. Henry Clay once said of Mrs. Pavis that, all bing, con-Washington. But her career at the capital

the Princess Metternich, when she got there but it will not hinder my being one of the most in fashion." And she kept her word so well that her mental qualities alone were noticed. Her ugliness even, if she was ugly, became only an additional originality They say that while she was leaving, this good Pauline, as they called her at the Tuilries, said, "M. Thiers is like Jennot, the lover in the song, always going from the brunette to the blonde, without ever possessing either. Under a king he courts the epublic. To-day, when there is a republie, he coquets with royalty."

The Lendon Spectator says of Thomas Nast, that "there is something of Hogarth's power about his sketches," and ability for portraiture equal to "H. B.'s," with "many signs of an imagination which can grow hot with righteous wrath." On the other hand it thinks "his humorous designs are comparatively weak in idea;" "his sketches of an mals are atrociously bad, and his sentiment allities are unpardonably feeble." only when Mr. Nast gives the gloomy side of his imagination its swing that he rises to his full power.

While France was trying to fight Ger many, Victor Place, French Consul General at New York city, was basy in forwarding arms and ammunition, and busier in charging commissions and taking bribes for de ng his duty. The disproportion between the sums he drew for and the cargoes he sent, joined with the complaints of merchants whose bribes had been taken and no return given therefor, caused M. Vieto Place to be summoned to Parls, which place he left, for a prison, where he is to spend the next two years, and to pay the State two thousand trancs for his support.

George Keller Leet, the General Order man in the New York Castom House, in 1852, then about fifteen years of age, was employed in the telegraph office in Pitts-burgh as a message boy. He carned barely en ugh to clothe himself, and with his widowed mother lived in an humble abode. He was a good penman, which secured him a position as clerk in a railroad office in that city. From 1857 be clerked in a freight fli e at Chicago until the war began. Then he joined the Mercantile Battery of Chicago. and was finally appointed on Grant's staff.
For the rest, consult the report o the investigating committee, when it is floished.

Col, John Harper of the firm of Harper Brothers, now in his seventy fifth year, was recently the recipient of a pleasant sur-prise party at the hands of his only survivbrother, Fletcher, and the sons, neph ews, grand nephews and great-grand nephews—all of whom ald in running the great establishment. Besides congratula tory letters and poetic effusions, an elegant horse, haraess and road wagon were pre-sented—for in his day Col. John Harper was one of the best horsemen on the road Not the least marked thing of the occasion was a cartoon by Nast. In it the Harper boys are harnessed to a lumbering wag drawing it to the Colonel's house, while the presentation is made through a speaking-trumpet by Fletcher Harper to the happy

recipient, who stands on the balcony. The New York Times says: M. Garnier he architect of the new Paris Coera House has begun a wholesale crusade. de de clares that the huge posters, pictures, and glaring colors stuck over the walls of that city by adventurous advertisers c rrupt the public taste, and ought to be restrained by law. No persons have any right, he says, to disfigure the walls and offend the eyes of the inhabitants by such coarse and selfish designs. They have gone on from bad to designs, until they are quite unbearable for monstresity, and sometimes for indecency. M. Garnier asserts that he pays his taxes range as it sounds to us here-in order that the city wherein he lives shall be clean, well kept, agreeable to the eye, adorned here and there with a little art." well as that he may be protected in life and limb.

Some writer, who seems to know al about it, says that because Nilsson happen

ed one evening to give Capcul a flower that The Hon. Galusha A. Grow, late member and fourth acts of "Mignon," some of the ladies of the chorus came to the instant con-clusion that the prima donna had discarded cus consequences, for Marie Leon Duval, the beautiful "Felina" of the opera just trifle and the ineffable grace and warmth tion of the whole affair by turning her back upon the parties, and singing subsequently the few bars of the "Polonaise," which are heard in the last act, not only prestissimo, but as sharp as vinegar. Nilsson smiled at the discomfiture of her fair sister in song, and the tenor took a sip of vin ardi-naire, generously provided by the manage-ment, and subsided into a quiet corner to brood over the fickleness of the sex until the curtain rose again. It was days before

> lower at Miss Duval. CENERAL AND PARTICULAR.

The toreign commerce of New Orleans indicates a rapid extension. Twenty ocean steamships now ply between this port and Europe. Two lines run to German ports, and two others to Liverpool. Within the present year there will be five lines running to British ports.

the two lovers were themselves once more,

when it became noticeable that when op-portunity served, and M'lle Nilsson was in a

good humor, she sometimes archly shook a

Wisconsin having abolished the grand jury system it is receiving a thorough in-vestigation in several of the other States. California and Nevada want it abolished altogether, while Iowa and several other States are endeavoring to amend the sys-

All reports from the Northwestern pineries give very encouraging accounts of the progress of the winter's campaign. The sleighing is good, and immense piles of logs are being banked. More logs will be got out than ever before. Prospects are good for a favorable season as soon as the guarantee as to the character of the goods spring trade opens. A tourist traveling continuously without

any stoppages can now go around the world in eighty days, making the entire journey by railway and steamship, and going by way of Liverpool, the Sucz Canal, Ceylon. Singapore, Hong Kong, Yokohama, San Francisco, and the Pacific Railway.

Within the past four years the Missouri ton Illinois, has cut into the bank a distance f nearly a thousand feet, and the abrasion still continues. The former stone levee of the town of Madison is now an island in the river, nearly a quarter of a mile from shore. The abrasion is caused by a swift current striking the bank at right angle.

Mother Goose has got after the Chinese students for Yale, thus :

Thirty Heathen Cainee
Riding on a rail;
Thirty long-tailed Freshmen
Coming down to Yale,
Should they read Confucius
Instead of marning prayers,
We'll take them by the hind long
And throw them down stairs.

The tobacco crop of last year in the Con did not until her for private life, and she necticut valley is said to have been a most remarkable one. The raisers have discovered that stable manure is the best fertilin demand, and instead of being sold, as it ised to be, for tity cents a load, it now brings ten and twelve dollars a cord. It is brought in large quantities from out of the

A carrespondent of Mr. Vick's at Fort McRae, New Mexico, writes, "Gardening s an up-hill bu iness here compared with Pennsylvania, but with proper culture and irrigation the results are most astonishing. Beets grow enormously, sometimes to five pounds; enions from one to three pounds, of a very superior quality, which the beets Cauliflowers, I was told, in El Paso, reach thirty pounds, and sweet potatoes fifteen pounds.

There is a German lager beer vender New York who has not been outside of his place of business for several years. He has years, I respectfully beg leave to announce grown so enormously stout from beer and adolence that he could not possibly be got brought on for their supply the finest asthrough the doorway, and, as he will be compelled to leave the place in May, the mestion with his friends now is whether to to this city. I intend to make this business reduce him by draining or to enlarge the a specialty, and shall give it my best care doorway. Our plan would be to tap him, and carry him away on a bler.

The supreme court of one of the Swiss Cantons recently set aside a marriage on the ground that it had been contracted in America without the consent of the Commune, to which the husband belonged, having been previously obtained. It therefore behooves young ladies in this country to be careful to see that they have every formality attended to when allying themselves with Swiss admirers.

An English clergyman recently preached sermon from the text, "Man is born unto trouble as the sparks fly upward." The following is a verbatim report of it:

man's ingress into the world is naked and 2. His progress through the world is trouble and

care:
And his egress out of the world is—nobedy knows where!"
To conclude: 'if we do well here; we shall do well there— I can tell you no more if I preach a whole year.'

A German residing in New Jersey has two wives, who have lived happily in the same house for three years. One speaks only German, the other only English. He mother, and the first that the second was a The other day a woman servant. The other day a woman who spoke both English and German visited the house, and when the duplex husband reached home the hair flew. He tried an

scape movement, but was wound up

Referring to the late "cold snap" with which the Gult States were visited, the New which the Gull States were visited, the New Orleans Republican of January 28th says:

During all day yesterday, and unti-midnight last night, there was a silver covering on every branch and twig of trees and shrubbery, on the telegraph wires, and roofs and galleries of public and private tentiling.

Many trees were backet for buildings. Many trees were broken dow by the weight of their crystal adornments, and many others, especially of the spruc and fir species, were uprooted. The sight was beautiful, but the damage fearful."

Governor Caldwell bas issued an address to the colored people of Nerth Carolina, ad-vising them not to leave the State to go to other States under delusive and false p ises. The Charlotte Democrat adds: "And

we do not hesitate to add that the components of the better place for white men who are willing to work and economise, and live within their means. If the young men who are moving away would use the same energy here they are compelled to use in their nev homes, they would make more money and enjoy life better."

SADDLERY HARDWARE, St. Louis.—The reliable and well known firm of Messrs. Hayden, Wilsons & Allen, No. 512 North Main street, St. Louis, Mo., Manufacturers and Dealers in all kinds and varieties, including the latest improvements of dlery Hardware, Carriage Trimmings, Bent Stock, Leather, Collars, &c., are prepared to supply the trade with anything in their line at the lowest market prices. Send for

A Discouraged Patriot.

Ethar Ailen once passed up through the Hoosac Valley and spent the Sabbath with a friend in Williamstown, attending church with him and his family. The first and sec-ond Presidents of William's College were square-toed in their orthodoxy, having far more faith in divine wrath and justice than in his love and mercy-and their sermons gave evidence of their obedience in belief. On this Subbath the text of the worthy President Fitch was, "And if the righteous scarcely be saved, where shall the ungodly and the sinner appear?" Firstly, he laid it down as a fact beyond question that not one in 1,000 would be saved. Secondly, thirdly to twelfthly, he said that not one in 50,000 could be saved. Ethan Allen took his hat and cane and prepared to leave. His friend said, "Don't leave now." Seventeenthly dropped from the president's lips, who said Matthews—to pass to another sph he had come to the conclusion that of the just delighted us with acting, will millions of men not more than one in 100,-000 would be saved. The old soldier had been growing uneasy under this rapidly sliding scale, in which the blanks so multiplied and the prizes faded from view. He grasped his hat and cane, when his friend said to him, "Don't go out. He will be through shortly; he's now up to seven-teenthly." "Oh, no matter," said Ethan Allen, "any of you are welcome to my chance, if 'iis as slim as he tells of!" and left the church.—Pittsfield Sun.

PERSONAL.—Ticknor & Co., the cele the ted clothlers of St. Louis, Mo., announce ing introduction of a plan of ordering cloth by letter, to which they call your special ention. They, if required, will se their improved and accurate rules for selfent, and a full line of sample from their immense stock of cloths, cassi meres, coating, &c. Thus enabling parties in any part of the country to order their clothing direct from them, with the certainty of receiving garments of the very latest style and most perfect fit attainable. Goods ordered will be sent by express, to be paid on delivery, providing that if they do not fit, they can be returned at their expense. As is well known through the South and West they have for fifteen years excelled in they would send out. Rules for self measarement, samples of goods, illustrated circular and price list sent free on application. Ticknor & Co., manufacturers and dealers in men's and boys' clothing and turnishing goods, either ready made or made to order, 601 and 603 N. Fourth street St. Louis Mis-

N. B .- When in St. Louis you are invited to visit our mammoth establishment, where you can find thousands and thousands of garments of superior quality and workmanship, manufactured expressly for the best retail trade. Boys' clothing a specialty with us, and our stock in this line is very exten TICKNOR & Co.

Commission Firm.

We call the attention of our readers to the card of Messrs. Clark & Stuyesant, in another column, and we cordially recom-mend them to those desiring to correspond with a reliable and safe Commission House in St. Louis.

Being thorough and active business mer and having had ample experience in their line of trade we feel assured their customers may rely on prompt, energetic and perfectly them. They have no long list of "extras" usual commission, and actual and necessary expense incurred on consignments or or-ders. Purchases on Southern orders, of flour, whisky tobacco &c. made free of commission.

They are also agents for one of the best known and most reliable wagon manufacturers in St. Louis, and their wagons for price and quality cannot be excelled.

Messrs. Clark & Stuyvesant are well and favorably known among the business men of St. Louis and the character and standing of the firm are unexceptionable.

SEEDS OF ALL KINDS-FOR THE GARDEN. FARM, &c .- Having succeeded to the seed business of the old established and well known firm of Wm. Koenig & Co., with to my enstomers and triends, that I have sortment, and largest and best stock of pure and warranted Garden Seeds ever brought and attention in order to satisfy my cus tomers, and hope by so doing to merit continuance of the trade so freely bestowed on our late firm. My stock will be found to be of the purest and best quality, and prices reasonable. Very respectfully, Louis A. Steber, Seedsman, No. 207 North Second treet. St. Louis, Mo.

Steber's Rural Almanaes (English nd German editions) contain descriptions of the various kinds of seeds, together with time and manner of sowing, cultivating, & :.. and will be mailed free to all applicants.

PLANT'S SEED STORE.—This house was established in 1845, by the late Wm. M. lant, who, although at times associated with others under various firm styles, was always recognised as the Plant. About three years since the business passed into the hands of the present firm, who for several years had been associated with Mr. Plant. The present proprietors, Messrs. L. G. Pratt & Co., are the legitimate successors to the original Wm. M. Plant business, and are justly entitled to the fullest confidence of the trade at large and to all the benefits to be derived from having purchased the good will, stock, fixtures and trade marks of Plant's Seed Store.

This firm has recently added increased facilities for conducting their business, and re enabled to fill all orders with dispatch. We would advise parties in want of seeds and implements to send to Messrs. L.G. Pratt & Co. for their Catalogues which they mail ee to all applicants .- Mo. Democrat, Feb. 6 '72.

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We wish to call the attention of our resder o the following certificate in connection with the advertisement, in another column, of Messrs. Goldsmith & Ives, General Western Agents for the Elliptic Sewing Machine "We manufacture and warrant the Elliptic Sawing Machine, and recommend it, with the recent improvements, as one of t e best for family use and the general purposes of sewing. (Signed) Wheeler & Wilson Mfg.

Our Vigorous Old Me It is reported on good authority Seward is busily engaged in writin tobiography, and an account of h trip around the world. Mr. Brya paring for a trip to Mexico, after h

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tellect nor dimmed the brightne memory of "wrongs" endured. I Black, while continuing his legal is still finding time to deal hard his political adversaries in other ressays. Mr. Caleb Cushing's ha cernible in some of the most power late State papers, and he is on t departing for Ganeya as counsel in bama claims arbitration. Mr. grace, case and facility of expre-hardly to be equaled by the young ration of actors, at whose birth i said this veteran comedian A. B. Durand. the oldest of our ar A. B. Durand, the oldest of our ar-just completed a picture, which, in one of his largest, and in strength cution one of his most importar Havemeyer has proved his cap effective work for the public as cha the committee of seventy, and ha

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The venerable Judge Lowell, of
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rich with ripeness of thought and rich with ripeness of thought and ence, and polished to diamond-liancy. Bishop Potter avoids no E duties, and even resented it as aim flection on his character when the of the diocese of New York, now plished, was first proposed. Mr. bilt directs his half dozen great r pushes his vast financial enterprise cearness and soundness of judgmer ery way wonderful—and with a b tells no story of care, plays his little whist in the evening, as it he were well-to-do old gentleman, outside moil of business or adventure. Capt Erricsson, who presided at the birt locomotive, being a rival of Stephe far back as 1829, and whose pupils old men and distinguished engineer old men and distinguished engineer working with a vigor and clearness lect really unexampled even in his evellous career. He is now engage the most abstruse study of his hi physics—and has already acconenough therein to make a reputation of the half done nothing else.

Our Weekly Newspaper All that used to be said and sung hostelrie, with jovial companions, flowing grape or foar ing John Ba must now be transferred to the week paper. This is the World's Gran Into it every week flock guests from dom, story, poetry, romance, incid aneedotes, such as never come to any old tavern, even when Burns

Steele, and Addison exchanged in wares. To know the genuine relics of newspaper, one must not read the nor live amidst much company in c is in the country, and apart from cial intercourse, that one's appetite sharp. The paper is seized with from the office, is borne home as a t from the office, is borne home as a t is there carefully read, as one wo the terms of a bequest or will that a treasure. Every man has some part of fowl or flesh, and so every reader turns at once to some favor of the newspaper for the first tast to the next best, and gradually ever graph passes under review: and at very advertisements are conned. The ever of a new newspaper, the ber e eve of a new newspaper, the be subscriber lends his paper to a poor bor, and it begins another round of ure. The newspaper is to these miles a vision of the world—a through which comes to them the

course of time.

But an editor has a very different ence, though in its way quite plea. Where the exchan e list is very lar task of looking through all the new that come to the office, although qu rious business, is not so laberious perts as it would be to the inexper Newspapers. like people Newspapers, like people, very so and rank themselves. Those wh fresh, spicy, full of matter, come hand almost of themselves, while th are made up from other papers, at that babitually harp upon themes row and local interest, are glanced passed over. Just as boys know w trees are that bear large nuts, and are the early apples, and whe trees are that never bear, or bear w fruit, so an editor comes to knew all changes. Of one hundred, he will ten or twenty on the simple experied these ten or twenty always help him

neglected or rejected may be ver newspapers, but not for him. Et fice has its own selection. The glory of an exchange list is, shall not be made up of papers in a tial agreement with you or with eac One should hear all sides. He that of honest discussion does not half be his own doctrines. Truth does no from honest questioning. The enemies of truth are self-conceit, anger, party-spirit, pride, obstina

fierce combativeness.

Our weekly mail brings around to nals of the extremest opposite views, are welcome. If anything, we turn newer interest to those who controv own tenets than to those who agr

The standard of weekly journalis The standard of weekly journalistisen and is still rising, not only in but in kindness of spirit and generatian courtesy. There are few renewspapers that might not circulat religious denominations, as well as one for which they are specially putterny Ward Beecher in the Christion.

BRONZES -- Aluminum Bronze entering more largely into industrand is fast becoming a great favor metal workers. The best proport metal workers. The best proporti found to be ten per cent. of alumin 90 per cent. of copper. For the cold surpassed by and closely resembles gold, while it is capable of receivin ish far superior in brilliancy to any Aluminum bronze may be forged i or steel, either hot or cold, and i very compact under the hammer. be rolled into sheets, or drawn into

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